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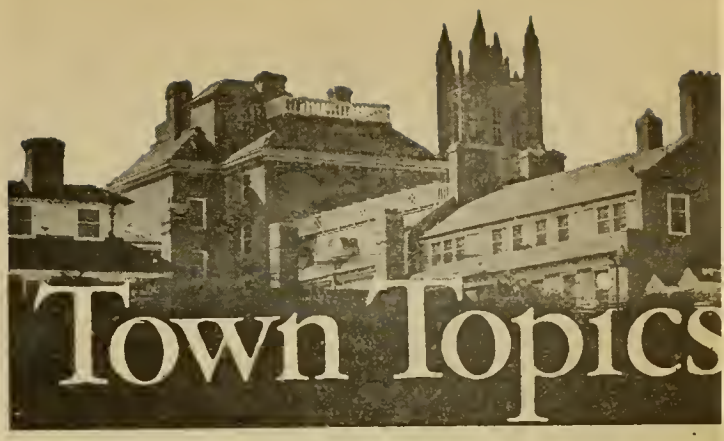

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Doris Newberry Baker (Mrs. Richard Wheeler Baker), tireless, 57-year old Princeton grandmother who is rounding out her first decade of service to Princeton Township and to all those whose affairs bring them in contact with the municipality's governing offices. With Clerk Martin Clausen she constitutes the permanent secretariat of the Township and calmly shuffles and re-shuffles no less than five different sets of official duties, giving her undivided attention to matters of the moment and then catching up on details when slack periods permit.

Maintaining that "my real education started ten years ago," she entered the Township's employ following the death of her husband, attorney for the New Jersey Manufacturers' Association and widely known as Township Recorder. She had previously held volunteer social service positions, including the chairmanship of the Social Service Committee and the presidency of the Community League, so, quite logically, it was as Overseer of the Poor that she made the leap into full-time municipal work. She remembers "being scared almost to death." Yet, with two sons enrolled in Yale University, she taught herself how to type, devised a "private kind of shorthand" and proceeded to make herself invaluable.

In addition to holding forth as Secretary to the Township Clerk, Director of Public Welfare, Clerk of the Board of Health, and Registrar of Vital Statistics, she has made Princeton history by becoming the first and only woman to achieve the status of "special policewoman." During World War II, after putting in her customary nine-hour day (six hours on Saturdays), she widened the scope of her activities and stretched her week in order to handle the myriad odds and ends that were the concern of the Secretary of the Princeton Defense Council covering both the Borough and the Township.

The daughter of a mining engineer, the grand-daughter of one of the great geologists of his time and a native of New Haven, Conn., Mrs. Baker studied in private schools in Connecticut and Colorado and saw the Old World before settling here in 1919. "Loving old things," she is an inveterate collector and her prized possessions, all guarded by Kerry Blue Terriers, include pot-lids (used in the long ago to cover the 18th-century equivalent of jars of cosmetics), cross-handled swords dating back to the Middle Ages, miniature silver cows that serve as cream pitchers.

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Topics of the Town

Hot Time in the Old Town. Princeton this week had three issues which were being more hotly debated in many parts of town than any developments in several years. Wholly unconnected, they were particularly controversial because there was so much room for rock-bound opinion in each.

Item One: The Township Committee issued a statement to the four veterans' organizations who had pleaded for immediate action in launching a low-cost housing project. Through its chairman, B. Franklin Bunn, the committee went on record as doubting the need for such housing in all of Princeton; definitely seeing no such want in its municipality, particularly at government expense; refusing to take joint action with the Borough in studying the matter; finding no reason for appointing a housing committee (but offering the services of its members in confering with "any duly organized body in the Borough that has a problem.")

The veterans had documented cases of 13 families in the township which they listed as among the "most desperate." But they quoted Mr. Bunn in his reply to them as "refusing to recognize the validity of these cases," and asserting that he "knew personally that several of the cases had been exaggerated in order to get housing."

Last week, the township had on its hands 27 veterans' applications for five temporary units to be opened this Fall. Said one flabbergasted ex-service man: "If a 400 percent oversubscription, which doesn't even take into account civilian needs, isn't indication of a low-cost housing shortage, what do we have to do to prove it to them?"

Item Two: The public hearing on the ordinance to rezone part of Nassau

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Street east of Harrison as a business district brought the largest turnout in a decade Tuesday night to Borough Hall. For nearly two hours, the mayor & council heard arguments of property owners in the area against the move. Trenton attorney Frank Casey, retained by one of them, grew so voluble in his pleas that midway through the evening he lost his voice.

Belief of five members of the zoning board, seven members of the planning board and the mayor & council favored steps to expand the business district as essential to the future welfare of the community. Property owners asked for preservation of the peace and quiet to which they had been accustomed, warned of devaluation of residential properties if the ordinance became law.

Their numbers and protests won them a temporary stay: with two councilmen absent, the measure was tabled until October 14. Major transaction pending the council's decision is purchase of the Grover property by the Princeton Film Center.

Item Three: Six weeks ago, Princeton's AVC Chapter asked Mercer Engine Company No. 3 for permission to hold a dance in its Chambers Street firehouse. Proceeds were to finance AVC activities during the coming year.

In early August, the veterans got approval, launched publicity, hired a band, sold tickets. Last weekend, the fire company rescinded its permission, said its headquarters couldn't be used "for profitable enterprise."

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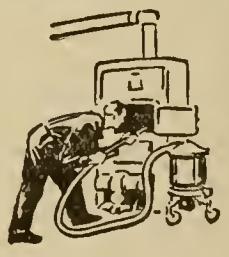

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Calendar of the Week

Sunday, September 14th

7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.

11:00 a.m.: Sermon, the Rev. Dr. Arthur L. Kinsolving; Trinity Episcopal Church.

"New Life For A New Age," the Rev. Dr. Frank S. Niles; Union Service for First and Second Presbyterian Churches; First Church.

"The Inheritors of The Earth," the Rev. Milton A. Galamison; Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church.

"Fears and Our Faith," the Rev. Lynn H. Corson; Methodist Church.

"Substance," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Sermon, the Rev. Milton J. Nauss; Lutheran Service; Westminster Choir College Chapel.

Friends Service of Worship; Murray-Dodge Hall, University Campus.

8:00 p.m.: "How To Achieve A Coordinated Personality," the Rev. Dr. Niles, First Church.

"The Thirst of Fear," the Rev. Galamison; Witherspoon Presbyterian Church.

8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Tuesday, September 16th

8:00 p.m.: Borough Council Meeting, Borough Hall.

Wednesday, September 17th

Opening of Princeton Country Day and Miss Fine's Schools.

8:00 p.m.: Bible Study, the Rev. Dr. Niles; First Church.

8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Service, First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Friday, September 17th

8:30 p.m.: "Command Decision," Pre-New York Opening; McCarter Theater.

9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.: A.V.C. Community Dance; Avalon.

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News of the Theatres

The Playhouse

The Kiss of Death (Fri., Sat.) atones to some extent for an implausible plot with considerable action and better-than-average photography. Victor Mature, Brian Donlevy in a melodrama with crime for its theme.

Dark Passage (Sun. thru Wed.) the latest Humphrey Bogart-Lauren Bacall outing, casts him as an escaped San Quentin convict, her as the pretty young artist who offers him shelter. Half a dozen fast-moving adventures befall them to provide action and suspense.

Song of the Thin Man (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) offers Myrna Loy & William Powell in their first film in three years, tells of murder aboard a gambling ship. Good dialogue and genial performances help out a routine plot.

Garden Theatre

Cynthia (Fri., Sat.) is the story of what romance does for a shy, neurotic young high school girl. George Murphy & Mary Astor in one of the year's worst films.

Northwest Outpost (Mon., Tues., Wed.) sends Nelson Eddy and Ilona Massey roistering through the early days of California. No one has yet found a plot suited to cover up the fact that all Mr. Eddy can do is sing.

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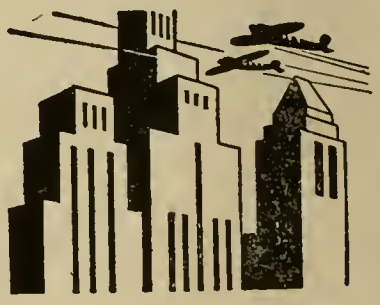

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With ten days left, AVC petitioned the mayor & council for use of the auditorium in Borough Hall. The request was promptly granted, but another successful move made "Avalon" available and the dance will take place next Friday at 59 Bayard Lane.

AVC's statement wasn't calculated to pass over the matter lightly: it went on record "condemning the treatment it received by Company No. 3 as conduct unbecoming a responsible public organization," charged further that "whatever motives may have prompted this action are not clearly stated in the letter."

The chapter was clearly of the impression that the old Red cry had been raised, that the Communist brush had been applied to swing the vote against its use of the fire house. Said one irritated member after getting word of the fire company's action: "Before we decide whether to take Borough Hall or Avalon, we really ought to cable Moscow."

Any way you looked at them, items one, two and three above were cause for lots of discussion. And they were being looked at many ways.

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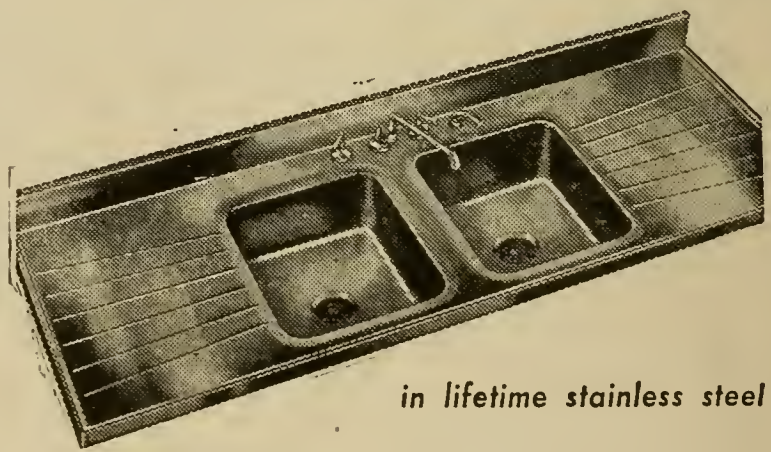

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